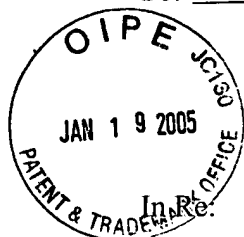


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**PETITION FOR THREE-MONTH EXTENSION OF TIME**

Applicants in the above-identified application hereby petition for a three-month extension of time up to and including January 27, 2005, to file a response to the Office Action dated July 27, 2004 (Paper No. "Mail Date 070904"), sent in connection with the above-identified application.

- ☒ Please charge **\$1020.00** to our Deposit Account No. **50-0310** (Billing No. **029474-5007**) for this Extension of Time.  
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